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Letter dated 17 January 1991 from the Permanent Representative of Haiti to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith a statement issued on 17 January 1991 by the provisional Government of the Republic of Haiti concerning the events taking place in the Persian Gulf.

I should be grateful if you would have this statement of position by the Haitian Government circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda items 35 and 153, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Yves L. AUGUSTE
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

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Communiqué issued on 17 January 1991 by the provisional Government of the Republic of Haiti

The provisional Government of the Republic of Haiti notes with regret that the obvious failure of the latest mediation efforts has left the international community no recourse other than the use of force to end the aggression perpetrated by Iraq against the sovereignty of the Kuwaiti people during the night of 1-2 August 1990.

The position of Haiti with regard to the Gulf crisis has been and continues to be based on respect for the principles of the Charter of the United Nations and on Security Council resolution 678 (1990).

By virtue of that resolution, the Republic of Haiti gives its total support to the friendly countries that have just made the difficult and courageous decision to intervene with a view to upholding international law and ensuring the restoration of Kuwait's sovereignty.